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THE HON SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" The Government have not yet taken up the consideration of the proposal."

Harassment of Harijans in Anaicut village, Vellore taluk, North Arcot district.

* 210 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any report of the Collector of North Arcot has been received regarding harassment of Harijans on 16th January 1954 in Vellore and Gudiyatham taluks; and

(b) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place the report on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) & (b) The Government have received report of an isolated case of rioting in Anaicut village of Vellore taluk on the 16th January 1954 as a result of a petty quarrel between a Caste Hindu and a Harijan during a bull race which was held in the village earlier in the day. As desired by the hon. Member, extracts from the reports received from the Collector on the incident are placed on the table of the House. Apart from this, no other case of harassment of Harijans by Caste Hindus on that day has been brought to the Government's notice either from Vellore or Gudiyatham taluk."

Shifting of District Headquarters Hospital from Chingleput to Kancheepuram.

* 293 Q.—SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether it has been decided to shift the District Headquarters Hospital from Chingleput to Kancheepuram; and

(b) if so, the reason therefor?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) & (b) The proposal has been deferred."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" What are the reasons that weighed with the Government to defer this proposal? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" There was a tug-of-war between Chingleput and Kancheepuram."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" May I know what the reasons were which prompted the Government first to think of shifting the Headquarters Hospital at Chingleput to Kancheepuram? "

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